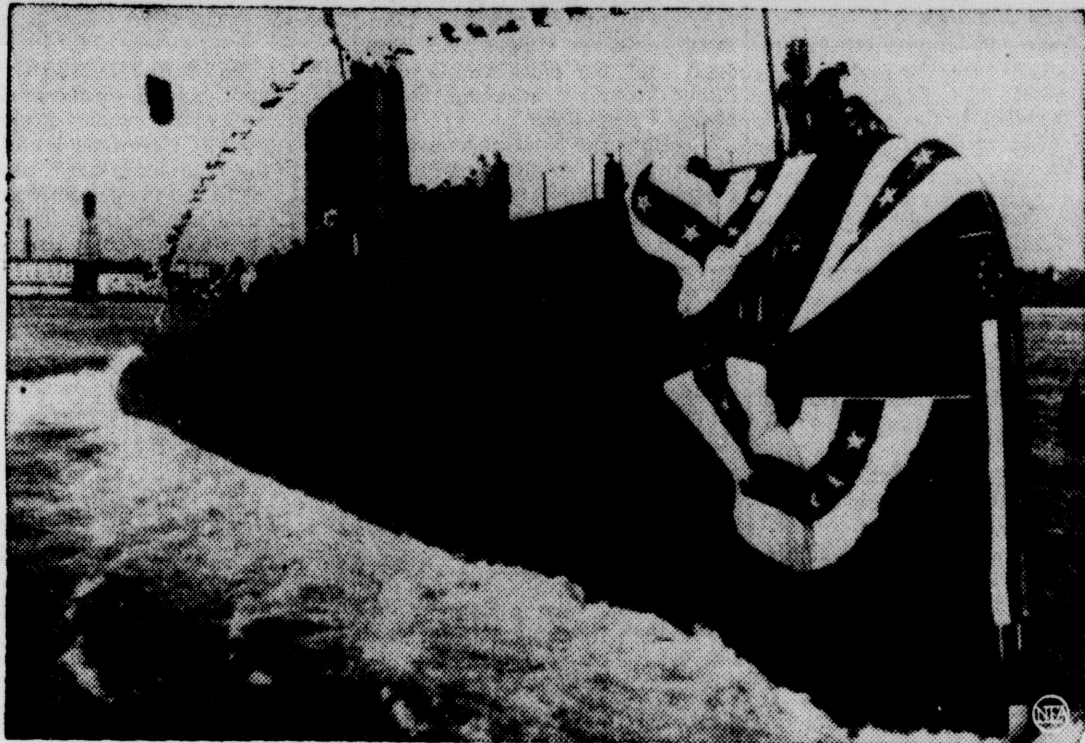


Indian Command Releases 21 Pro-Red GIs



SMOOTH—Atomic-powered submarine "Nautilus" glides smoothly into Thames River just seconds after Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower broke a bottle of champagne over its bow at Groton, Conn.

TSTA Okays Pay Plan For Teachers

Austin, Jan. 22. (AP)—The Texas State Teachers Assn.'s executive committee today unanimously approved a compromise plan to raise base pay of school teachers \$402 per year.

A delegation headed by Mrs. Kate Bell of Houston, TSTA president, then went to Gov. Allan Shivers' office to notify him of the decision.

The executive committee's action is expected to bring a quick announcement by Shivers on the approximate date he will call a special legislative session on the pay raise problem.

Shivers said he will indicate tomorrow approximate date of a special legislative session on the matter.

Home Town Stuff

By R. H. NICHOLS

Vernon has a new industry and congratulations are in order to L. Jack Rogers, well known contractor here for ten years. His partner in the Redi-Mix Concrete Company, Don Perin from Dalhart, is welcomed to the city. They have opened an office at 1600 McKinney Street and will supply concrete which is mixed as it is delivered to job sites in transit trucks. They point out the biggest advantage of this to customers is in keeping yards clean and free of the mess made most of the time by mixing at the scene. This is the first time Vernon has had a business of this type to locate here permanently.

Mr. Rogers, a native of Wilbarger County and graduate of Vernon High School, will continue his business as general contractor. His partner will operate the concrete plant and office. Mr. Perin has been in concrete work for about 20 years, he says, the last four years at Dalhart. Before that he was with the Texas Highway Department. He has already moved here with his wife to reside at 2115 Indian Street.

Salutations are also due Vernon Pennington on the completion of ten new units at the Western Motel here. These make a total of 23 bedrooms available for tourists at the East Wilbarger Street courts. All units are air conditioned and have individual floor furnaces, radios and the latest features in western furniture and decorations. Mr. Pennington thus expresses his optimistic view of Vernon's continued prosperity. He plans to hold open house for local residents to inspect the Western Motel between 4 and 6 p. m. Sunday.

The condition of L. A. Hollar, old-time resident of Vernon, who is critically ill in a local hospital, is reported to be unchanged today. He was recovering from a heart attack which he suffered about two weeks ago when he was stricken with a second attack Wednesday evening. His daughters, Mrs. Earl Stagner of Stamford and Mrs. Aubrey Jones of Brownfield, arrived Thursday to be at his bedside and a son, Jess Hollar, who lives in Tennessee, is expected today. Dr. Emory D. Hollar, I. D. Hollar and Mrs. R. H. Hoffman, two other sons and a daughter, live here, and another daughter, Mrs. R. E. Bird, lives in Ventura, Calif.

According to an Army news release from Camp Chaffee, Ark., Sgt. Roy L. Claybrook, husband of Mrs. Betty G. Claybrook of Vernon, has been selected to attend the Fifth Armored Division (See HOME TOWN, Page 2).

Allied Ministers Arrive in Berlin For Big 4 Talks

Berlin, Jan. 22. (AP)—U. S. Secretary of State Dulles, French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden reached Germany today for a Big Four conference opening Monday. Communist secretary cloaked the movements of Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, but he was expected in East Berlin by train tomorrow.

The three Western ministers arranged a get-together to set up strategy for the meeting. A French Foreign Ministry spokesman said the three would hold a pre-conference talk tomorrow at French headquarters.

German Unity Is Goal

Dulles, who flew to this divided city in President Eisenhower's plane, Columbine, said in a prepared statement the Western powers "hope to unite Germany by giving the German people as a whole the right which our civilization treats as fundamental, including the right of a people by free elections to choose for themselves their own sovereign government."

The American Secretary of State was the first to arrive. He was greeted at the airport by a large delegation of Western officials, and an American tank unit fired a 19-gun salute. Dulles was followed shortly by Bidault, who came in by train from Paris. Eden stopped off in Dusseldorf on his way to Berlin and told reporters at the airfield there "nobody can expect a full solution to the problem (of Germany) can be found in a matter of a few weeks."

Prof Turns Sleuth, Nabs Four Frosh

Norman, Okla., Jan. 22.—A University of Oklahoma professor of criminology did some extracurricular sleuthing and nabbed four freshmen who were trying to peddle copies of his final examination in advance—at \$30 a throw.

The four devised a novel plan to lay their hands on the coming examination. They painstakingly poked in trash cans looking for discarded stencils which were used to mimeograph the examinations. Finally, they came up with the criminology final of Dr. Gilbert Geis, 29, and two others. They planned carefully, but should have taken the hint.

Sold For \$30 Copy

"For three days the phone had been ringing continually," said Geis. "Students told me they had been approached and that the copies were selling for around \$30 each. Finally someone gave us a line on who was selling them."

Geis said one of the graduate students working for the department of sociology was used as the "bait." He contacted the suspects and offered to pay the \$30. They said a copy of the examination would be delivered.

Met By Officials

When the courier arrived he was met by Geis, Chief of Police A. C. Bernier and the graduate student. "We accompanied him back to his rooms and found the other three," said Geis. "When we led them off I heard one of them say, 'Some day I'm going to have to take that course'."

Dean Paul MacMinn said the four had been questioned and a report made on the case. He said release of their names and disciplinary action was in the hands of the University administration.

TEXAN AMONG VICTIMS

Tripoli, Libya, Jan. 22. (AP)—The U. S. Air Force said today a Texas captain was among four Air Force officers killed in the Jan. 15th crash of a B29 Superfortress in the Libyan desert. He was identified as Capt. Jack Waller, 33, of Leesburg, Texas.

BULLETINS

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—The House Armed Services Committee called Pentagon officials today to explain proposals for a \$49-million airfield program in Spain.

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—A Senate judiciary subcommittee today approved a constitutional amendment to lower the voting age from 21 to 18 as recommended by President Eisenhower.

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—Democrats blocked a vote in the Senate Labor Committee today on the nomination of Albert C. Boeson to the National Labor Relations Board, bringing a protest of "filibuster" from Chairman H. Alexander Smith (R-NJ).

COLDER AGAIN SUNDAY NIGHT—

Warm Sun Melts Snow, Ice

Slightly warmer weather was forecast in this section Friday night and Saturday, but temperatures still are expected to hover between 15 and 20 degrees between sunset and dawn.

No more snow, sleet or rain is expected. It will turn even colder Sunday night and Monday, according to the U. S. Weather Bureau, and warm up again Tuesday and Wednesday.

Patches of snow remained Friday from the two-inch fall before sunrise Thursday. Streets and highways still were ice-coated in many places and officers warned motorists to continue cautious driving inside the city and to keep off roads except for necessary travel.

Apparently Wilbarger County residents are getting through the

hard freeze with no serious accidents, either to pedestrians or motorists.

(By The Associated Press)

The Winter's toughest Texas north began playing out Friday, leaving the state clear and cold.

Tender Rio Grande Valley crops were safe again. The norther dropped Valley temperatures to near freezing Thursday night, but enough wind blew to keep frost from settling.

Elsewhere, below-freezing temperatures covered most of the state for the second straight night. The low was eight degrees at Dalhart in the Panhandle.

Warmer Saturday

The sun was expected to crack loose ice that still clung to North and East Texas highways. Warm-

er weather was forecast for Saturday.

Rio Grande Valley farmers had gone into Thursday night fearful a freeze would kill young tomato plants and damage carrots, lettuce and onions. But the lowest Valley temperature was 33 degrees at Edinburg. A 15-mile-an-hour wind kept the atmosphere stirring and free of frost.

Elsewhere, overnight lows included: Amarillo 9, Lubbock 9, Childress 12, Lufkin 20, San Antonio 29, Corpus Christi 30, Galveston 29, Texarkana 19, Waco 19, Palacios 28, San Angelo 29, Laredo 34, Alice 30, Wink 22, Wichita Falls 15, Marfa 29, Houston 26, Austin 24, Tyler 14, Dallas 13 and Fort Worth 13.

Icy conditions still were reported from Abilene and Wichita Falls east and from Corsicana north as the sun began making a comeback.

State Mostly Clear

All the state was clear Friday except for parts of East Texas. The Weather Bureau expected that section to clear up before nightfall.

Schools closed down Thursday until the weather warmed up in many places. Many streets and highways were slick with ice and sleet.

The Highway Department reported from Austin that road conditions were improving in extreme Northwest Texas but said many highways elsewhere were slick and unsafe.

High winds had blown snow from highways in all directions from Amarillo. In all other parts of the state, highway officials advised motorists to travel only if necessary. Roads were open Friday morning but—wherever not covered with sleet or snow—were dangerous with slick spots.

Roads Protected

Highway Department crews spread sand and salt on ice-coated bridges and sharp hills. Patrol units were out to help motorists who might be in trouble.

Sleet and snow was from two to three inches thick on highways in North Texas. And West Texas and the Hill Country reported some roads hazardous from sleet and snow.

But accidents were few. Most people stayed at home if they could. Others, unsure and unaccustomed to the icy streets and roads, took extra precautions.

Schools closed included Dallas, Corsicana, Fort Worth, all of them in Hill County, West, Troy, Moody, Crawford, Pendleton, Midway and Ghoslon.

All rural schools closed in the San Angelo, Abilene, Fort Worth and Sherman areas.

GAS SHORTAGE REPORTED
Kansas City, Jan. 22. (AP)—Gas supply companies, a shivering public and fuel-deprived industries were hopeful today that slightly rising temperatures would relieve critical gas shortages in many parts of Missouri and Kansas.

WEATHER

Temperature readings for the past 24-hour period ending at noon Friday:
Maximum 33 degrees
Minimum 14 degrees
Noon reading 33 degrees
Forecast: Fair, not so cold Friday night, lowest 15-20. Saturday fair, warmer in afternoon.

POWs Remain In Camp After Guards Depart

Panmunjom, Saturday, Jan. 23. (AP)—The Korean war prisoners who stirred world-wide controversy by their refusal to go home were turned loose today.

Twenty-one Americans, one Briton and 327 South Koreans who chose Communism were abandoned by Indian guards in a flimsy neutral zone compound at 12:01 a. m. (10:01 a. m. Friday, EST).

The pro-Red POWs said they would stay until their food runs out, echoing the demand of the Communist Command that Indian troops stay on.

Allies Free Prisoners

The U. N. Command liberated as civilians the nearly 22,000 anti-Red captives returned to it Wednesday by the Indian Command—a course the Allies assert was required by the armistice.

When official freedom came more than 14,000 Chinese anti-Red POWs already were aboard American ships en route to Chinese Nationalist Formosa. More than 7,500 anti-Communist North Koreans were in South Korean Army reception centers.

An Indian officer said the pro-Communist north camp was "absolutely quiet." There was no celebration among the Koreans. A ROK official said most were asleep.

Some of the freed prisoners had been in stockades almost from the start of the Korean War 3½ years ago.

Allied insistence that no prisoners be forced to go home against their will was a major stumbling block in the prolonged armistice talks.

Sitdown Strike Staged

The pro-Red American, British and South Korean POWs staged a sitdown strike in their compound. The purpose was to back the Communist position that they should be held until their fate is decided by a Korean peace conference. But it was considered likely that when their food runs out they will march north—and vanish behind the Iron Curtain.

The Indian Command made a final appeal Friday for the Reds to accept the pro-Communist prisoners, but it was rejected.

Instead, the Reds warned Indian Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya it would consider the Indians responsible for seeing that there is no "abduction and dispersion" of the pro-Reds.

Met With Leaders

The Indian commander then met with leaders of the pro-Red compound, U. S. Sgt. Richard G. Corden of East Providence, R. I., British Marine Andrew Condon and three leaders of the South Korean POWs.

"He gave them our position," an Indian spokesman said, "namely, that by midnight we shall withdraw our guards, withdraw our custody and shall have nothing to do with them."

"The prisoners said they would stay in the camp," the spokesman said.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—President Eisenhower Friday nominated Roswell B. Perkins, 27-year-old New York attorney to be assistant Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. The post pays \$15,000 a year. Perkins, a Republican, is the youngest man to be appointed by Eisenhower to the Government.

Businessmen Here Pledge Aid to Chillicothe Plant

Vernon businessmen Friday morning pledged more than \$500 toward helping Chillicothe in promoting the establishment of a \$17,000,000 chemical plant there.

This makes a total of \$770 contributed by citizens here. Other businessmen said they would give money, but did not yet know the exact amounts.

In a packed Wilbarger County courtroom, three Chillicothe businessmen outlined plans for securing the plant. Dr. R. E. Sitta, W. W. Bragg and Mayor George Gatewood, in explaining what had been

accomplished, emphasized they were not in Vernon asking for donations.

Work Almost Finished

Work toward getting the plant is considered 90 per cent complete, the doctor said. A 100-acre tract of land about one and a half miles south of Chillicothe near Wanderers Creek already has been bought for the project.

Prior to Friday's meeting, Vernon's Chamber of Commerce had not solicited any funds for the project. However, this was the result of an inadequate knowledge of what was transpiring, Norman Loader, president of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, said.

Would Help Vernon

After the Chillicothe men had finished talking, W. H. Wright, chamber manager, and Henry Jacobson, local merchant, explained how citizens and businessmen of this city would be affected if the plant should become a reality.

Other Chillicothe residents present were Mrs. Ann Kennedy, publisher of the Chillicothe Valley News; Warren Morton, superintendent of schools; and Curtis Justice, co-owner of a drug store there.

Every seat in the courtroom was filled and chairs had to be brought in to take care of the overflow crowd.

Bricker Asserts President Erred

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio) charged today that President Eisenhower last week "gave wide circulation" to "erroneous charges" that the Bricker treaty amendment would turn back the clock to the old Articles of Confederation.

In a strongly worded letter to all other senators, Bricker said the President "has been misinformed" on the intent of the proposed constitutional amendment.

Dulles Against Amendment

In his news conference Jan. 13, Eisenhower was asked his opinion of the controversial amendment, which Secretary of State Dulles and other top administration leaders oppose. He said in reply that the Founding Fathers wisely provided that when a treaty was properly ratified it should take precedence over any state law, including state constitutions.

He said that under the Articles of Confederation which preceded the Constitution each of the states had the right to repudiate a treaty and that he would never agree to going back to the pre-Constitution system.

Skater Rescues Family While Still on Skates

Fond Du Lac, Wis., Jan. 22. (AP)—Donald Brown was working at a local skating rink when someone told him his house was on fire.

He ran home, helped his wife carry their five small children to safety, but finally collapsed himself on the second floor of the burning building.

Firemen found him, carried him out, then discovered an additional handicap under which Brown had been operating. He still had on his ice skates.



IT'S LIKE THIS—Mayor George Gatewood of Chillicothe, left, looks on as Dr. R. E. Sitta of the

same city gives details of the work in progress toward securing a chemical plant in Chillicothe to Norman Loader, president of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce.

No Survivors Are Found At Scene of Plane Crash

Honolulu, Jan. 22. (AP)—A Navy P2V Neptune patrol bomber with eight men aboard crashed in flames on a cloud-covered mountainside last night and rescue teams found no survivors, the Navy said today.

The plane, part of a Japan-based squadron returning from patrol duty in the Western Pacific, was

on route from Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands when it got off its course for Barbers Point Naval Air Station, a few miles south of the crash.

Plane Hit Mountain

It had been cleared for a landing at Barbers Point when it slammed into a peak of the Wai'anae range about five miles northwest of Pearl Harbor, the Navy said.

A six-man Army rescue team which reached the scene about midnight had reported that the fiercely burning shredded wreckage was too hot to approach—but it looked as though there were bodies inside.

A spokesman said the plane apparently hit the mountain head-on.

Death Toll Now 29 In Ship Collision

Inchon, Korea, Jan. 22. (AP)—The death toll of U. S. Marines in yesterday's collision of a troopship and a small landing craft was raised to 29 today.

Authorities said official records showed the Marine-laden landing craft carried 51 rather than 50 men. Twenty-two were rescued from the icy waters of Inchon harbor.

Marine Corps headquarters in Washington last night identified five dead and 18 missing.

Texas Soldiers Awarded Commendation Ribbon

Fort Hood, Jan. 22. (AP)—Two Texas soldiers who rescued an Army captain at Falcon Dam last October have been awarded the Commendation Ribbon with metal pendant.

Pvt. Michael V. Sheets of Corpus Christi, and Richard W. White, Houston, were on duty at the Mexican border site of Falcon Dam Oct. 16. They were notified a car had gone into Falcon Lake.

They dove into the lake and rescued the captain, who had gotten out of the submerged car and was clinging to a partially submerged tree.

The two members of the 501st Military Police Co. of the 1st Armored Division here at the time, left Dec. 9 for duty in Europe.

CALENDAR

FRIDAY
6:30 p. m.—Basketball game between Vernon and Lamesa.

President Asks Big Revision In Tax Program

Washington, Jan. 21. (P)—President Eisenhower Thursday urged upon Congress a big tax revision project that would reduce revenue about \$1,215,000,000 next year—and then drew a line against further cuts now.

The revision program, he said in his budget message, would rewrite a tax structure he termed "haphazard," easing burdens for millions of persons and promoting business expansion to push America "to ever higher standards of living."

Draw Line There But Eisenhower said this program and the \$5 billion in annual tax cuts which took effect Jan. 1 are all the reductions "our national security and well-being will permit" right now.

He thus raised a barrier against growing talk by some Congress members in this election year for (1) a further general cut in individual income taxes and (2) a lowering of all excise or sales taxes which are above 10 per cent to that level.

The President reiterated his request, first made last May and renewed in his State of the Union message, for extension of present rates of excise and corporation income taxes. They are due to drop April 1 to their pre-Korea levels, \$3 billion under present levels.

\$2 Billion Annual Cut The revision program would reduce taxes an estimated \$2 billion annually when it reaches full effect in later years.

It included one big surprise—changing the annual deadline for some 60 million individuals to file income tax returns from March 15 to April 15. A Treasury spokesman said there was no thought of making the change effective this year.

The President also called for bigger tax deductions for medical expenses, a new deduction for child-care expenses of working widows, a new allowance for dependents who make more than \$600, sharp cuts in taxes on income from dividends, and a tax break for single heads of households.

Transient Pinned 17 Hours Under Rails on Freight

Baton Rouge, Jan. 22. (P)—A Texas transient pinned under steel rails on a moving freight car for 17 hours came out of it with nothing but a severe headache.

Workers heard feeble cries in the railway yards here at 1 a. m. yesterday and found Arthur McKimell, 48, Deport, Texas, pinned underneath tons of steel rails on a car.

McKimell said the rails shifted onto him shortly after the freight left Vicksburg, Miss. A crane and acetylene torches were used to get him out.

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W. D. Curtis Is Candidate For Mayor

W. D. Curtis, well known retired dairyman, has authorized The Record to announce his candidacy for the office of Mayor, City of Vernon, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Mr. Curtis noted in his announcement that a city this size has sufficient problems to need a full-time Mayor. He issued the following statement:

"At the solicitation of a number of legal voters, I am a candidate for the office of Mayor of the City of Vernon.

"I have lived among you for the past 27 years—ample time for you to judge my virtues and vices.

"I have made no commitments to any organization or individual in the city, of any kind or character, and none will be made.

"A city with \$60,000,000 of property valuation, a tax roll of some \$12,000,000 has sufficient problems to require the entire time and talent of its Mayor.

"If elected I will endeavor, together with the City Commissioners, to give fair study and consideration to all problems brought before us. I pledge to organize the various departments of the city administration for efficiency and economy.

"I hereby solicit the support of all legal voters of the City of Vernon for this office. Your vote and influence will be greatly appreciated.

"Yours for a greater and better Vernon,

"W. D. Curtis."

Services Are Held For Ed M. Besse

Final rites for Ed M. Besse, 93, were held Friday morning in the Holy Family Catholic Church here. Father Ed J. Shopka, pastor, officiated and burial was in East View Memorial Park under direction of Henderson Funeral Home.

Mr. Besse, a retired farmer of the Oklahoma community, died Wednesday in a local hospital. He had been ill for nearly two years. He moved to Wilbarger County in the early part of the century and retired about 20 years ago.

Surviving relatives include two brothers.

Hospital Briefs—

Admissions:
Mrs. George Shannon.
Mrs. C. M. Matlock.
Mrs. Lee Harris.
Mrs. Milton Richie.
Dismissals:
John McClure.
Mrs. L. R. Duncan.
Births:
Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Woodall, a girl.

COMMISSION ELECTIONS
Austin, Jan. 22. (P)—Walter Lechner, Fort Worth, Friday was elected chairman of the Texas Game and Fish Commission. Lechner will succeed V. F. Neuhaus, Mission, whose term on the Commission has ended.

Democrats Still Planning To Seek Further Tax Cuts

Washington, Jan. 22. (P)—President Eisenhower's plea to Congress to hold the line against any further cuts in major tax rates has smacked into some strong opposition.

Several key Democrats plan a floor fight in the almost evenly divided House for a plan to slice \$2½ billion a year off personal income taxes, relieving seven million taxpayers from any payment at all.

Tax Rates To Be Cut And some Republicans and Democrats alike predicted Congress would permit at least slight reductions in both corporation income and excise tax rates.

Eisenhower, in his annual budget message, strongly endorsed a project for rewriting almost all the nation's tax laws. His proposals would reduce revenue \$2 billion annually when they reach full effect, but this would be done through many changes in various deductions, allowances and other technical points—not through major rate changes.

Politics Charged Republicans generally applauded this program, but Rep. McCormack of Massachusetts, the assistant Democratic leader, accused the President of "political insincerity."

"Instead of appealing to the people to make sacrifices for greater national defense," McCormack said, "the President is appealing to their hopes for tax reductions."

"But apparently the only ones being considered in the President's program are corporations and large stockholders. If President Eisenhower thinks we can have tax reductions, the people generally should benefit."

Parts of Proposed Budget Due To Run Into Trouble

Washington, Jan. 22. (P)—Portions of President Eisenhower's unbalanced \$65½-billion spending budget for the next fiscal year appears to have some stiff bipartisan congressional opposition.

"Too much," said Chairman Taber (R-NY) of the House Appropriations Committee.

"Rather risky," commented House Democratic Leader Rayburn of Texas, referring to a cut in planned national security spending. Many Congressmen, however, praised the emphasis on air power and new weapons. Rayburn agreed it was proper to put emphasis on both.

Tax Plan Opposed Some Republicans and Democrats joined in commenting that the President's stand against cuts in corporation and excise tax rates was likely to face severe fire from

McCarthy Not Candidate For President in 1956

Chicago, Jan. 22. (P)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) says "under no circumstances" will he be a presidential candidate in 1956.

"Ike is my candidate," McCarthy told newsmen last night after they had asked him: "Will you be a presidential candidate in 1956?"

There have been reports that McCarthy might be a candidate. The Wisconsin Senator was asked to comment on a forecast by Harold Stassen, director of the Foreign Operations Administration, that Eisenhower would be drafted for the presidency in 1956.

"I don't doubt it," he said. "If Eisenhower were a candidate today I definitely would support him, and barring anything unforeseen, I would support him in 1956."

McCarthy said he had commitments to campaign in six or seven states next Fall, and added, "I am willing to speak in any state where I can be of help to the Republican senatorial candidate."

Night Sessions Held In Railroad Hearing

Amarillo, Jan. 22. (P)—Judge E. C. Nelson has set night sessions in order to finish an injunction hearing here against the Santa Fe Railroad and 16 non-operating unions.

The current hearings will determine whether a temporary injunction against the defendants should be made permanent. The Santa Fe is not contesting the injunction suit.

HOSPITAL BID LOW Tulsa, Jan. 22. (P)—A Borger, Texas, firm, West-Tex Construction Co., was apparent low bidder yesterday at \$396,258 for building a hospital addition at Amarillo Air Force Base, Army Engineers estimated the project would cost \$410,120.

a Congress anxious to cut taxes in a year when many members face re-election campaigns.

There was some criticism of plans for continued heavy foreign aid spending and, from a few Democrats, of proposed cutbacks in Army and Navy manpower.

And there was bipartisan unhappiness over the fact that the budget projects a Federal deficit through the 1955 fiscal year starting July 1.

The reduced spending estimates came in for general praise, although there was some criticism of specific cuts.

In Committee's Hands The bulky document picturing the Government's financial plans for the new year headed for the House Appropriations Committee, the first step toward congressional approval or revision.

Taber, who always has insisted "there never was a budget that couldn't be cut," said his committee ought to be able to trim at least \$3 billion from the \$56¼ billion in new appropriations requested for the coming year.

That, Taber told newsmen, might "get rid of the deficit," which the President estimated would be \$2,928,000,000 for the year ending in mid-1955.

Request To Reduce Bond Refused Robbery Suspect

Houston, Jan. 22. (P)—Federal Judge T. M. Kennerly yesterday turned down a request to reduce the \$50,000 bond set for James Mitchell, 24, one of five persons charged in a \$37,329 New Year's Eve bank robbery here.

A few hours later U. S. Commissioner Ralph Fowler set a \$50,000 bond for Mrs. Mitchell, 18, on a Federal charge of conspiracy in the Houston National Bank robbery.

Kennerly had postponed until Monday a ruling on a motion to reduce a \$50,000 bond under which Mrs. Mitchell is held as a material witness.

Local Men To Receive Awards at Banquet

Three Vernon men will receive service awards during the annual Amerada Petroleum Corporation's awards banquet Friday night in the Mayo Hotel in Tulsa.

W. C. Sturdivant and K. C. Shannon will receive 20-year diamond-studded service pins. Jim Hughes is slated to receive a ten-year service pin. The veteran employees left Vernon Thursday to attend the banquet. They are expected to return Sunday.

PTA BOARD TO MEET

Austin, Jan. 22. (P)—The 1954 convention city of the State Congress of Parents and Teachers will be selected at a meeting here Jan. 25-26. It will be the annual mid-Winter conference of the PTA's board of managers.

Utility Firm Gains Pay Hike

Fort Worth, Jan. 22. (P)—West Texas Utilities Co. electrical employees, operating in 49 counties in West Texas, were working under a new contract today, giving them, among other things, an average of 20 cents an hour more in pay.

The contract was revealed by Art Edwards, vice president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, with headquarters in Fort Worth.

Linemen Affected Edwards said 270 linemen were affected by the new contract, signed Jan. 11.

The contract climaxes eight years of negotiations, he said, and during that time issues were referred to authorities as high as the U. S. Supreme Court for decision.

Edwards summed up the new contract this way:

Wage increase—averaging more than 20 cents an hour, and retroactive for at least three months.

Union recognition—Locals 898 at San Angelo, 920 at Abilene and 1040 at Quanah recognized as the sole bargaining agent for the electrical workers.

Vacation with pay; sick leave; holidays, and full co-operation between company and union.

Home Town--

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Radio Operators' course at Camp Chaffee. During the 12-week school, Claybrook will receive instruction in operation and maintenance of Signal Corps field and vehicle-mounted radios. He will also learn to receive and transmit International Morse Code.

Miss Rosalyn Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith R. Wolfe, 2420 Nabers Street, who is a freshman student at the University of Texas, will be a member of the crew for the annual University of Texas drama department's dance concert which is to be given Feb. 22 through 27. Also a member of the crew is Miss Virginia Burkes of Altus, Okla.

Mrs. C. D. Beard of Vernon, president of 13th District, Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, and Dr. John W. McFarland, superintendent of Vernon schools, will attend the Winter board meeting of the Texas Congress in Austin next week. The meeting begins Sunday for a four-day session.

Mrs. Beard will serve with the State parliamentarian on two committees—one to revise by-laws and the constitution of the State organization for the coming year and the other a nominating committee. Dr. McFarland serves as State International relations chairman and also is a member of the projects committee of the Texas Congress. Included on the agenda of the board meeting will be selection of the next convention site and theme; making plans for a State-wide centennial observance and celebration of the establishment of Texas' public school system. Mrs. Beard is leaving Saturday for Austin and Dr. McFarland is scheduled to leave Sunday.

Birthday greetings to:
Chester Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mason, 3221 Texas Street.

David Lee Robinson, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Robinson, 2924 Bismarck Street.

Bobby Syverson, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Long, 2307 16th Street.

Road Improvement Report Given at C of C Meeting

A report on a recent discussion with E. H. Thornton, Jr., chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, on road improvement in this section Friday, was given by Dr. Ralph H. Flesher to other members of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce highway committee.

Other members present were Bob Hoffman, Taylor Dabney, Bill Kern, Vernon Pennington and Norman Loader. John R. Nabers, construction engineer, also was on hand. Dr. Flesher is committee chairman and Mr. Hoffman, vice chairman.

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Markets

Fort Worth Livestock
Fort Worth, (P)—Cattle 100; not enough of any class or grade offered to test the market.
Hogs, none.

New York Cotton
New York. (P)—Noon cotton prices were 30 to 40 cents a bale lower, March 33.49, May 33.72 and July 33.75.

Produce Market
Chicago. (P)—Butter steady; unchanged; 93 score AA and 92 A 65; 90 B 63.25; 89 C 62.5.
Eggs steady to firm; unchanged; large 47.5; mediums 45.5; standards 45.

New York. (P)—Butter steady. Unchanged.

Poultry Market
Austin. (P)—Poultry:
South Texas: Quiet. Too few sales to establish market.
East Texas: Steady. 2½-3 lbs. 24.

Waco: Steady. 24.

Markets at A Glance
New York. (P)—:
STOCKS—Higher; rails and aircrafts lead.

BONDS—Higher; governments steady.

COTTON—Irregular; hedging and liquidation.

WHEAT—Firm; new crop at seasonal highs.

CORN—Mixed; small price changes.

OATS—Steady; small price changes.

HOGS—Down 25 cents to \$1.00; top \$26.25.

CATTLE—Nominally steady; top \$25.00 on choice.

Chicago Grain Futures

Wheat:	High	Low	Close
March	2.14½	2.12½	2.14½-½
May	2.13½	2.12½	2.13½-½
July	2.05½	2.04½	2.05½-¾
Sept.	2.07½	2.06½	2.07½-¾
Dec.	2.11½	2.10½	2.11½-¾

Corn:
March ... 1.54½ 1.54 1.54-54½
May ... 1.56½ 1.55½ 1.55½-¾
July ... 1.56½ 1.56½ 1.56½
Sept. ... 1.52½ 1.52½ 1.52½
Dec. ... 1.47½ 1.47 1.47½-½

Oats:
March80½ .80½ .80½-½
May78½ .78 .78½-¾
July74½ .74 .74½-½
Sept.73½ .73 .73½

Fort Worth Cash Grain

Fort Worth. (P)—Wheat, No. 1 hard, 2.55½-70½.
Corn, No. 2 white, 2.04½-07½N.
Oats, No. 2 white, 1.06½-09N.
Sorghums, No. 2 yellow milo, 2.90-95 per 100 pounds.

CONVICT KILLED

Angleton, Jan. 22. (P)—Earlie B. Ivey, 18-year-old Harris County Negro convict, was injured fatally last night when struck by a bottle by another prisoner after an argument over a blanket. Ivey died about two hours after he was struck by B. C. Collins, 26, also of Harris County, a Huntsville prison official said.

SINGER'S HUSBAND DIES

Los Angeles, Jan. 22. (P)—Dr. Eugene Chapman, 48, husband of Opera Singer Dorothy Kirtsen and assistant dean of the University of California at Los Angeles Medical School, died last night. He succumbed at home to a kidney infection for which he was hospitalized last Fall.

COLONEL PROMOTED

Austin, Jan. 22. (P)—Gov. Allan Shivers today announced promotion of Col. Marshall H. Kennady, Fort Worth, to brigadier general in the Texas State Guard Reserve Corps. Kennady will continue in his present assignment as commander of the Third Brigade.

DOGS FLY, TOO

Washington, Jan. 22. (P)—United Air Lines has figured up it has carried more than 26,000 dogs since July, 1950, when it started allowing pets to accompany their owners on passenger planes.

Cost of Living In Slight Drop

Washington, Jan. 22. (P)—The cost of living dropped less than one-tenth of 1 per cent in December, a minor movement which the Bureau of Labor Statistics saw as evidence of "continued stability" in the economy.

The decline was the second consecutive monthly drop. BLS Commissioner Ewan Clague said, however, that the price trends definitely "are not behaving like a business recession."

Together the November and December drops totaled one-half of 1 per cent. They brought the consumer price index near the end of 1953 to 114.9, using the 1947-9 averages as 100.

This was seven-tenths of 1 per cent higher than a year ago and 1.5 per cent higher than in February when price decontrol began.

Looking ahead a bit, Clague said the index normally would show declines for January and February also, but recent strength shown in both food and commodity prices does not indicate that the full seasonal drop will occur.

Shepperd Asks Union Boycott

Austin, Jan. 22. (P)—Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd today urged officials of three local Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' unions to cut their connections with the international union.

He congratulated El Paso Local 509 for what he called its "proposed disaffiliation" with the international union.

Leader Convicted A Federal court jury yesterday in El Paso convicted labor leader Clinton E. Jencks on two counts of falsifying a non-Communist affidavit in 1950. Jencks is a former representative of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Shepperd urged the three locals—two in El Paso and one in Laredo—to cut loose from the international "in view of the evidence and findings of the State Industrial Commission, Congressional committees and other governmental investigative agencies, in view of the uncontradicted testimony concerning officials of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers in the El Paso trial, and especially in view of the conviction of Clinton Jencks yesterday."

LAWYERS GATHER

Austin, Jan. 22. (P)—Lawyers from over the State gathered here today for dedication of their new \$250,000 State Bar of Texas headquarters building. The building is the first in the nation expressly built to house a state bar association.

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Vernon Lions Rated Underdogs Against Lamesa

Two Games Set Here Friday Night

The role of underdog will once more be attached to the Vernon Lions Friday night when they engage the Lamesa Tornados here. While Vernon has a record in district play of four losses and one win, Lamesa sports a mark of three wins and one loss. The defeat came at the hands of Sweetwater.

Coach Bob Percival was informed by the Lamesa coach Thursday afternoon that unless the roads are impassable he and his crew would arrive in Vernon in time for the B game to get under way at 6:30 p. m.

The home court advantage is expected to be of some help, Coach Percival said. "But he added, 'The Lions will have to be clicking on all cylinders if they are to stand a chance of beating Lamesa.'

Playing on the home court failed to be of much help in Vernon's last outing Tuesday night against Big Spring. The Lions were soundly trounced after holding a lead at half-time.

Other activity in the district Friday night will find Breckenridge at Sweetwater and Big Spring at Plainview.

Coach Percival said he expected to use several combinations Friday night to see if he could find the one with the most scoring punch. A youth, who heretofore has been handicapped with a bad arm, may see some action, he said. Robert Pigg, who suffered the injury during the football season, has been told by the doctor he could start playing. Pigg has been working out with the team for the past two weeks, but Thursday is the first time he has participated in a scrimmage session.

Probably varsity starters will be Gene Miller at center, Chris Krebs and Bob Harvey at guards and Carl Franks and Jack Bolton at forwards.

Coach Buddy Frey said he probably will start Tommy Smith and Peeewe Morris at forwards, Melvin Hobratschik at center and Jerry Pearson and Charles Spears at guards.

Along The Sideline:

Comments by Cates

Dame Fortune turned a grim smile on Cage Coach Bob Percival last Winter and has continued snarling at him ever since.

Tommy Smith, aggressive forward who was being counted on as spark plug for the Lion varsity this season, fell a victim of the books. He became ineligible for the team the second semester of last school year.

Well, anyway, Bob thought, "I still have four men I have been counting on." But such was not to be. About one month before the football season ended, Robert Pigg, another youth being tabbed as a regular, suffered a shoulder injury.

With Smith playing on the B squad and Pigg carrying his arm in a sling most of the time, Bob began the season with two men in first string positions whom he had counted on for substitutes. But the future does hold some

Lamar Grid Star To Be Honored

Houston, (AP)—Lamar High School's triple-threat tailback, stellar Walt Fondren, will be honored here tonight as Texas' outstanding schoolboy football player for 1953.

Fondren, a 160-pound bundle of football perfection, was to be the honoree at the eighth annual football banquet of the University of Houston.

Fondren led Lamar to the Class AAAA State championship and was a unanimous All-State selection. He received 48 of 75 votes while being selected the State's outstanding player by members of Texas Sportswriters Assn.

Byron Townsend, Odessa High School sensation and later a star at the University of Texas, was the first outstanding player selected, back in 1947.

Other recipients of the honor have been James Garner, Amarillo end, 1948; Jerry Fouts, Wichita Falls back, 1949; Ed Bernert, Highland Park end, 1950; Charles Brewer, Lubbock quarterback, 1951; and Doyle Traylor, Temple, 1952.

Fondren, 17, has not decided where he will attend college but has indicated he will go either to the University of Texas or the University of Oklahoma.

AGGRESSIVE ACTION SLATED

San Francisco, (AP)—Fight fans look for action aplenty tomorrow night in Middleweight Champion Carl (Bobo) Olson's scheduled 10-round encounter with Joe Rindone. In his first fight since winning the title from Randy Turpin of Britain last October, Olson will be facing a man who has a reputation as a rugged, aggressive puncher.

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Fight Manager Demands Bout With Champion

New York, (AP)—Jack Dempsey's suggestion that an elimination tournament be held to uncover a "real" challenger for Rocky Marciano is a worthy idea but Bobby Gleason thinks he has something better to offer.

"Make the champion fight the No. 1 challenger within six months or take away his title," says the fiery little manager of Cuban heavyweight champion Nino Valdes. "That's the way they do it in Europe. If the European champion doesn't meet No. 1, he's tossed out on his ear by the European Boxing Federation."

"Otherwise, what good is it to rank fighters? Or have a No. 1 contender? You can't eat a ranking, of course, is not entirely unselfish in advocating the adoption of the European system. Following a decision victory over Ezzard Charles and a four-round knockout over Heinz Neuhaus, the European king, Valdes was named the No. 1 contender by Ring magazine.

The National Boxing Assn. in its latest rankings a few weeks back listed no logical contenders for Marciano among the big boys. Ezzard Charles, the former champ, headed the list of "outstanding boxers," followed by Valdes, Dan Baccaroni and Roland LaStarza.

Dempsey suggested that Charles, Valdes, Baccaroni and Nardico fight it out in an elimination tournament.

Gleason is willing to have Valdes fight Charles but he wants a "pay-day" this time. He's willing to give Ole Ez a return fight but he wants \$30,000 if Valdes wins and \$40,000 if Charles evens the score.

Par Shattered In Golf Tourney

Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., (AP)—The wreckage that was a par decorated the Rancho golf course today as upward of 130 golfers headed into the second round of the \$15,000 San Diego Open tournament.

An astounding 49 players out of 134 starters broke par 72 in the first round, and tournament officials sought to tighten up the course today.

Leading the procession into today's 18 holes was 27-year-old Bill Ogden of Chicago whose 33-33-66 looked none too secure in the face of the par crackers just behind.

One stroke back of Ogden were three players. They were U. S. Amateur Champion Gene Littler of San Diego and Pros Earl Steward, Jr., Dallas, and Bob Harris, San Jose, Calif.

There were six players tied at 68, headed by Tommy Bolt of Maplewood, N. J., who won the San Diego event last year.

GOLFER GETS FREE DIAPERS
Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., (AP)—Golfers Gene Littler is getting a dozen diapers for the Littler one, expected in about six weeks. The diapers are a special award for Gene. Professionals who scored eagle 3s on 5-par holes get \$25 awards in the San Diego Open tournament. Littler is an amateur, but he eagled the 5-par 8th hole yesterday so the tournament sponsor decided on the diapers. They are to be awarded in a special ceremony later today.

MEXICO BANS CAR RACES
Mexico City, (AP)—A tentative ban on car racing may still permit the famous Pan-American road race, he Government said yesterday. The Communications Ministry said a permit for a motorcycle race was denied because the organizers had not co-ordinated plans with those of Federal highway authorities and road police. The refusal does not set a precedent for the Pan-American, the Ministry said.

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Top 4-A Coach in Texas May Go to Conroe High

Houston, (AP)—It was a pretty fair bet here today that Coach Bob Schulze of Lamar High's 1953 Class AAAA schoolboy football champs, next season would be at Conroe High in the East Texas oil fields.

Schulze said last night he was trying "to withhold my plans until after the banquet, but the news leaked out."

The Lamar team is scheduled to be honored here at a Tuesday night banquet.

Conroe is a Class AAA school in District 6. School Supt. W. D.

Ex-Gridders Set Quana Reunion

Special to The Record
Quana, Jan. 23.—Plans have been completed for the reunion of ex-football players of Quana High School who were coached by Dan Stallworth, now of Baytown, to be held here Friday and Saturday. A large number of ex-Indians from several states have made reservations for the affair.

A number of the ex-gridders have already arrived here. Mr. and Mrs. Stallworth and daughter will arrive Friday afternoon, as will Mr. and Mrs. Dan Salkeld and family of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forrester of Ballinger. Salkeld and Forrester were members of Stallworth's coaching staff.

Reunion headquarters will be the Quana Hotel, where reservations for the coaches and their families have been made. A double room has been secured for guests as a meeting place.

The two-day program will open with a general get-together and dance for the exes, the coaches and their wives at the Quana Country Club on Friday night.

Highlight of the festivities will be a banquet at the Pullman Cafe at 7 p. m. Saturday for the ex-Indians and their coaches. W. E. Hancock, superintendent of Quana schools, and Foster Watkins, present Indian coach, will be guests.

Radford Willis will act as master of ceremonies and the invocation will be given by Jack Brazil.

Following the banquet, a dance will be held at the Quana Country Club. Friends are invited to join the exes and the coaches for this part of the program.

NO BETTING, GOLFERS TOLD
New York, (AP)—Two of golf's top officials have issued a warning against the appearance of organized gambling in the sport. "The only thing that can blacken the name of golf is the appearance of organized gambling," Totton P. Heffelfinger of Minneapolis, president of the USGA, told some 400 diners at the annual Metropolitan Golf Writers' dinner last night. Heffelfinger's words were reiterated by Horton Smith, of Detroit, president of the Professional Golfers' Association.

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Many Businesses Are Facing 1954 Without Fear

BY SAM DAWSON
New York, (AP)—Afraid of the big bad wolf of depression? Some folk aren't afraid of the business prospect—on land, on water, or beneath the surface of the earth. They're betting heavily on business staying good.

The outlook's good for surface travel, says the giant General Motors Corp. It has announced it will spend \$1 billion this year and next in expanding its plant to meet the future demand for motors. That will mean doubling the annual rate of spending it has kept up from 1946 to the present.

The National Assn. of Engine & Boat Manufacturers reports its members are confident of making and selling 30 per cent more pleasure craft this year than last. They expect the ever-growing multitude of boat enthusiasts, now estimated at 16 million in this country, to find the money to buy them.

Oil Industry Confident
And the oil industry is thumbing its nose at the present over-supply of oil in the world. It says that this year it will spend just about as much as last—a record \$2½ billion—looking and drilling for new oil reserves. Steadily growing world demand will take up any slack in time, oilmen are confident.

Americans are taking to the water as never before, whether it's a power cruiser or a putt-putt. Boat makers optimistic.

The boat builders' president, John W. Mulford, says his association's survey of builders shows that boat sales last year topped 1952 by 32 per cent. Eighteen boat builders—and this is only a segment of the entire industry—report combined dollar sales of \$8,737,730 last year, which they expect to top by 30 per cent this year.

The 14 reporting unit sales totaled 24,602 craft last year, compared to 20,694 the year before, and say they expect to build and sell 29,665 in 1954.

Marine engine manufacturers look for a 30 per cent sales gain this year. Some 500,000 outboard motor units were sold in 1953, compared with 320,000 in 1952, the association reports. Inboard marine engine dollar sales varied among manufacturers, with gains ranging from 5 to 75 per cent.

Makers of hardware and other equipment for boats averaged a 12½ per cent dollar sales increase in 1953, Mulford says.

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President Recommends Land Reclamation Work

Washington, Jan. 22. (AP)—President Eisenhower Thursday recommended \$155,292,000 for the land reclamation program in Western states in the year starting July 1.

This is \$11,622,340 more than Congress appropriated for the program in the current year but \$51,155,991 less than was provided in the fiscal year ended last June 30.

Of the \$155,292,000 proposed budget for the Reclamation Bureau, \$121,838,000 was recommended for construction and rehabilitation work. This would include: Rio Grande, N. M., Texas, \$169,000.

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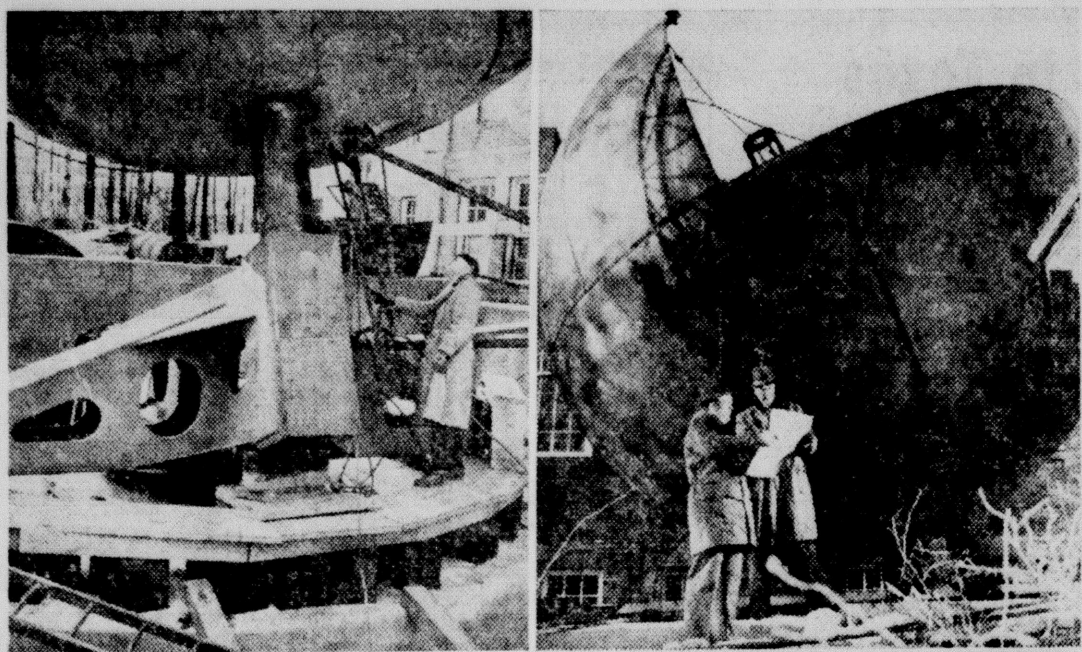
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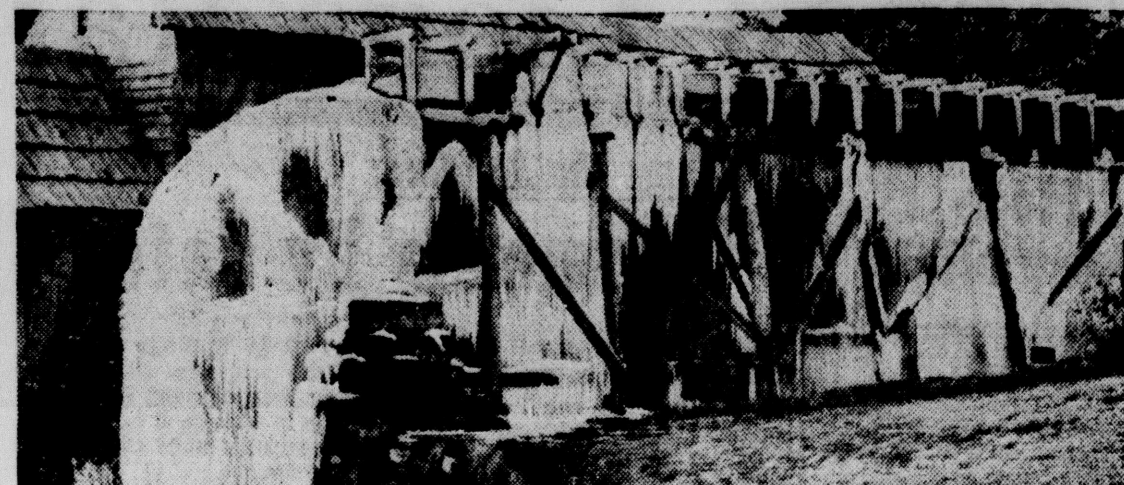
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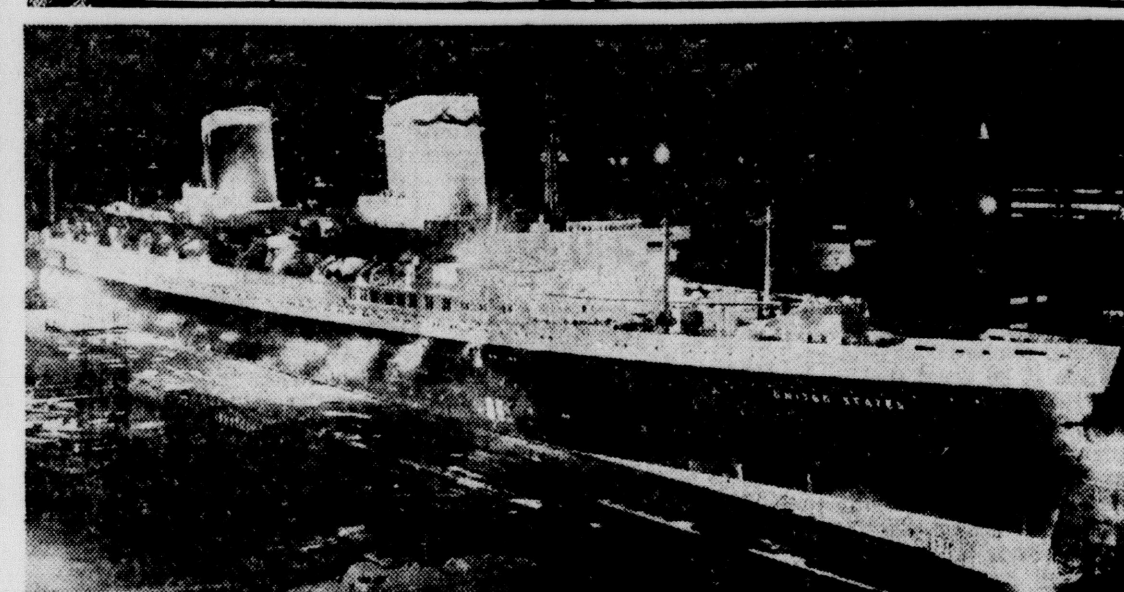
SHAPING IT UP—At the Babson Institute of Business Administration in Wellesley, Mass., a "new world" is being built. The revolving model globe will measure 28 feet in diameter and was designed to depict the earth as it would appear floating 5000 miles out in space. Upper left, Lyman Judson looks up through a trap door at the "South Pole." Electric motors will rotate the globe on its tipped axis. A more complete view of it is shown at right and, below, steel workers lower girders into place on the model to be used for global planning.



CAMELS AND TIGERS—Not in the same pen, of course, for the camels in the top photo got stranded near Lawrence, Kans., when the truck broke down en route to St. Louis, Mo. George Alexander helped make them comfortable for the night. The three little cubs below are six-week-old inmates of the Cleveland, O., Zoo, and already they appear not very sweet.



WINTER'S TOUCH—After several days of below-freezing weather, the sluiceway and water wheel at Mabry's Mill, near Hillsville, Va., were covered with ice. The popular tourist attraction looked more like Alaska than that lovely southern state.



NIGHT AND DAY—The superliner United States, world's fastest and most modern liner, presents this spectacular night view as workmen follow a 24-hour schedule during her annual drydocking in Newport News, Va. After her first 18 months of service, she easily passed all tests.



A STITCH IN TIME—Because the dance actress Debra Paget performed in a movie being made in Hollywood is so violent, a jeweler had to stand by. Debra's movements required constant repair on the 10 pounds of soft gold link chain that comprised most of her costume. Pliers in the skillful hands of Seth Banks kept Debra before the camera in a decently clad condition.



CHILDREN'S HOUR—This full-length pink nylon nightgown for little girls is every bit as nice as mama's. It has lacy ruffles at the neck and yoke, and short, puffed sleeves add the proper touch of grown-up glamour.



TRAVELING BIRD—Captain Charles W. R. Knight, of Sevenoaks, Kent, England, is urging his Scottish Golden Eagle to show its wing spread upon their arrival by ship in New York. It was the 27th Atlantic crossing for the 26-year-old bird which is trained for falconing.



ALL TIME—The time in any part of the world can be checked against local time on this electric clock recently installed at the airport in Frankfurt, Germany. Frankfurt time is shown by the arrow at the top of the dial while minutes are given by the center hand and dial. With this clock, you know at once that it is 7 a.m. in New York when it's 1 p.m. in Germany.



SEVEN UP!—Army Captain and Mrs. M. H. Thoreson are introducing their new twin daughters to their five slightly older sisters in Salina, Kans. The Thoresons had not been expecting a double arrival and, after having five girls in a row, they might have been hoping for a boy. One thing they can look forward to is plenty of assistance with the household chores.



NEW PURPOSE—An all white evening gown by Rome's Gasbarri Fashion House is made entirely in nylon with an overlay of silver lace. The jacket worn on the left is created of white satin with gold embroidery. The two styles will highlight Gasbarri's spring selection.



STYLE SETTERS—"Tornado of Lenster," right, wore a beret and plaid muffer to suit his jolly character when he took part in a Bull Terrier Show in London. But in Manila, "Cyran de Berg-erac" is not so stylish, left. He's just a little mongrel and he wears a straw hat and neckerchief to conform with canine fashions in that climate. His home is Paris, however.



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Bank Earnings Rose in 1953

BY SAM DAWSON
New York, (U.P.)—Eighteen billion-dollar banks in the nation report total resources and earnings rose in 1953.

But 13 of them report total deposits slipped a little from former record highs. The 18, however, hold about one-fourth of the nation's total bank deposits.

Each of the 18 banking giants has both deposits and resources in excess of one billion dollars.

The top bank in both categories is the Bank of America National Trust & Savings Assn., San Francisco. Its resources and deposits are each around the \$8 billion figure.

Total Resources Up

If you could combine the 18 top banks, you'd have a financial concern with total resources of \$50,590,748,000. This was a gain of \$34 million in the total resources of the same 18 banks at the start of last year.

During 1953 there were only two shifts in the relative positions of the 18 giants, as far as resources go. The Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles is now ninth instead of tenth, having traded places with the Chemical National Bank of New York. And the Hanover Bank of New York became 11th instead of 12th, trading with the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh.

Deposits Down

Combined deposits of the 18 billion-dollar-club members total \$45,891,890,303. This was a dip of around \$86 million during the year.

Total deposits in all of the nation's banks at the end of 1953 aren't yet available. But they are expected to come to around \$185 billion, and may be higher.

For most banks, earnings were up pleasantly in 1953, even if total deposits slipped a little. This was because the total of bank loans was higher; and because interest rates on these loans were mostly higher, too.

Bank statements of the 18 giants show they are no exception. Operating earnings of the Bank of America rose 10 per cent in 1953, and the National City Bank of New York, the second largest in the nation, reports a gain of 9 per cent.

These could well prove to be above the average for the nation as a whole, when all bank earnings statements are in and tabulated. The latest available figures show the Federal Reserve Board

Come A-Smokin'

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THE STORY: Mistaken for Luke Usher, who ran away when his father Jake was murdered, Grete Marratt, an escaped convict, has been befriended by Dr. Frailley, one of Jake's friends. Marratt is suffering from a bullet wound, inflicted by an unseen gunman. Knowing he is being hunted, Marratt decides to hide under the mistaken identity. But soon after Frailley leaves, there is a knock on the door.

MARRATT had been halfway expecting to see the face of that crook or the short and broad shape of the one who had tried to cut him down the other night. This bird was a stranger. He was garbed in a blue-and-white striped shirt, open at the throat, and the bottoms of his corduroy trousers were thrust into fancy-topped boots—which don't grow on bushes. A black curly-brimmed hat was shoved back off the forehead of a long narrow face that, from the nose on down, was sheathed in black beard.

But no beard was going to conceal his pleasure in greeting a friend he hadn't seen in 15 years. He came in like a wriggling collier with hand outstretched and teeth showing splinters of teeth through the bristles. "How are you, son—"

His voice suddenly went into a bleat as he caught sight of the snout of that motionless pistol. "Luke! Put that dratted thing away—you ain't forgot Clint Gainer, hev you? Ol' Clint that learned you how to set a buckin' brone—"

"Close the door," Marratt said without change of expression. "Now come around here into the light."

Gainer followed instructions, sliding into the downturned glow from the lamp like a drunk on a chalkline. There was something strangely ineffectual about his big-bellied shape, a suggestion of timidity he'd probably

hopied to hide, behind that bluff heartiness he'd been so busily exuding as he'd stepped over the threshold.

MARRATT put up his gun but kept a hand close beside it. "How'd you know I was here?" "Perkins—he cooks for the Lone Star—was tellin' me he seen you and then, about a hour ago, I run into Doc. Don't you remember Ol' Clint what wrassled steers for your pappy?" "Vaguely," Marratt decided. "But I can't seem to recollect you ever getting so close for you to come busting over here the minute you learn I'm back in the country. And so spiderfooted quiet."

Gainer licked his lips while a slow flush spread through his hair-covered jowls. "I'm goin' to tell you about that—it's all part of the same thing, of the reason for my bein' here. I guess maybe you got some call to be wonderin'. I've had to play my cards mighty close these last years. You don't want to believe more'n half of what you hear—"

"All right," Marratt said. "I've got the salt box handy." Gainer stared. He said defensively, "I dunno what you've heard but what I've done's been 'cause I've had to. It ain't been easy to live around here with Wineglass knockin' right agin my east fence. Let Clem Ryerson hev his way an' he'll glom onto this whole country from the Sierra Estrellas clean to Pozo Redondo."

"Let's hear about the reason you came hiking over here. And why you didn't ride up like a neighbor." Gainer's look turned reproachful. "You know mighty well I can't afford to neighbor with Ushers. Now don't get me wrong! I've always kinda nourished a secret likin' for you, boy."

(To Be Continued)

I'm one of the few around this patch of cactus that never figured you pulled out account of bein' scared o' Wineglass. "That so?" Marratt allowed himself to unbend a little. "Why did you think I pulled my freight?"

"Cause you was too smart to go agin a stacked deck." "The line separat' smartness from cowardice ain't much easier to latch hold of than the hair on a frog. You must have good eyes."

"I got 'em," Gainer nodded. "an' I kin put two an' two together. Lots of guys—most all of 'em—what heard them cracks you made in the Red Horse Bar that night figured it was the whiskey talkin'. I knowed you meant every dad-gummed word of it. I knowed you was aimin' to come back an' I've been buildin' toward that time."

He grinned felinely through the brush of his whiskers. "I kin see you think I'm just butterin' you up. Don't you believe it, boy. I'm here to do my Christian duty an' you a good turn at the same time mebbe."

Marratt watched the sly eyes go from himself to Jake's picture. "Put your cards on the table." But it wasn't in Gainer's roundabout nature to travel the shortest way if he could avoid it. "How much dough hev you got?" he asked.

"Do I look like a bake shop?" "I mean money—hard cash."

"I couldn't stake you to a hair-pin."

"That's what I figured," Gainer nodded. "You haven't even got a horse. Doc said the clothes you were wearin'—"

"Did you come over here to crow over me?"

"Just pointin' out where you stand is all. Matter of fact, I'm here to help you—"

"Do you reckon you'll get around to it before tomorrow morning?" Marratt asked.

Gainer managed a parched smile. "You're in a bad hole, boy, an' I'm fixin' to pull you out. I'll give you \$6000 for the title to this ranch."

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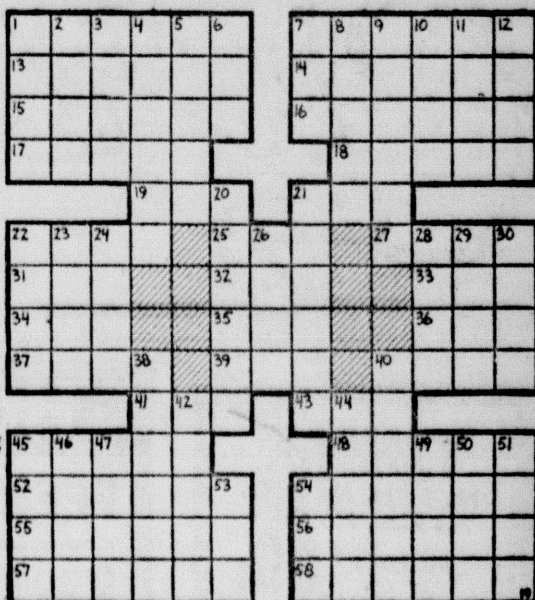
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- 52 Water bottle
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- 55 More hackneyed
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- 57 Genus of geese (pl.)
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- 1 Arrivals (ab.)
- 2 Encounter
- 3 Church part
- 4 Approached
- 5 River valleys
- 6 Goddess of infatuation
- 7 Insect larva
- 8 Muse of lyric poetry
- 9 Remove from office
- 10 Tardy
- 11 Solar disk
- 12 Possessive pronoun
- 20 Meddle
- 21 Flag
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- 23 Italian river
- 24 Seines
- 26 Bamboo-like grass
- 28 Scope
- 29 Dissolve
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- 40 Tilted
- 42 Assign
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Navigation projects (channels and harbors):

Texas: Port Aransas-Corpus Christi waterway, Tule Lake extension, \$500,000.

Flood control projects (local protection):

Texas: Dallas floodway, \$1,300,000; Fort Worth floodway, \$240,000.

Flood control projects (reservoirs):

Texas: Belton, \$1,850,000; Garza-Little Elm, \$4,400,000; Texarkana River, Texas and Ark., \$4,000,000.

Multiple purpose projects, including power:

Texas: Neches-Angelina Rivers, Dam "B," \$42,000 (all carryover from previous appropriations); Whitney Reservoir, \$129,410 (all carryover from previous appropriations).

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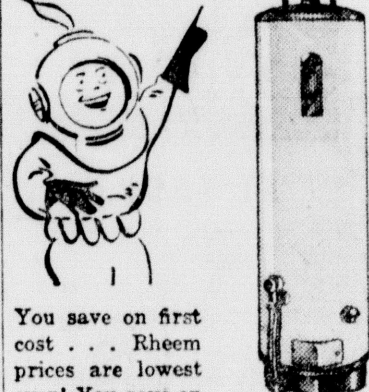
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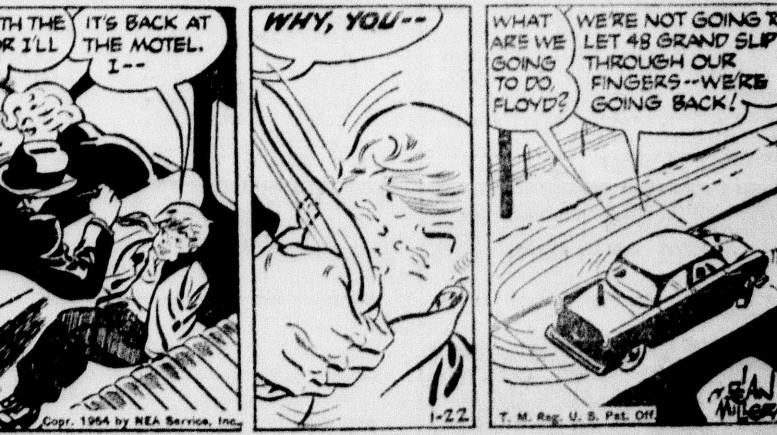
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